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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to abolishing the regulation of for-profit legal service
- 3 contract companies.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 951.003(b), Occupations Code, is amended
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (b) A law pertaining to [legal service contracts under
- 8 Chapter 953 or] insurance does not apply to a program under this
- 9 chapter.
- 10 SECTION 2. Chapter 953, Occupations Code, is repealed.
- 11 SECTION 3. (a) On the effective date of this Act:
- 12 (1) a disciplinary proceeding pending before the Texas
- 13 Department of Licensing and Regulation relating to an alleged
- 14 violation of former Chapter 953, Occupations Code, is dismissed;
- 15 and
- 16 (2) a registration issued under former Chapter 953,
- 17 Occupations Code, expires.
- 18 (b) As soon as practicable after the effective date of this
- 19 Act, the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation shall repeal
- 20 all rules regarding the regulation of for-profit legal service
- 21 contract companies adopted under former Chapter 953, Occupations
- 22 Code.
- 23 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.